

their children to school, and it would tend to promote greater regularity and punctuality in attendance.

But I should advise against the Council having the control of any schools or in any way interfering in their management for very important reasons. In course of time when the Indians have made more desirable progress and are in circumstances of greater prosperity the Council (if it should continue to exist) should make grants to School Sections when the people in those Sections are able with the aid of such grants to support their own schools and then they should have the management of them subject to the inspection of the Board of Missionaries and as in the Common Schools of the Province the Trustees should elect or appoint the Teachers who should however be subject to examination by the said Board before receiving their appointment and to periodical examinations afterwards if necessary.

The Act passed in the year 1869 for the benefit of the Indians empowered the Chiefs in Council to erect Schoolhouses and to keep all such buildings in repair, but as yet they have not exercised the power invested in them and hitherto they have not expended a dollar for those purposes though two or three new Schoolhouses are much needed and others are greatly in want of repair. In School Section No 10 the School is held in a Baptist Chapel which is not adapted for School purposes. The Schoolhouse in No 9 Section was destroyed by fire and the School is now held in a private dwelling house, but it is very inconvenient and unsuitable which fact operates greatly against attendance. Before the Building was destroyed the School was in a very prosperous condition and numerously attended and now the attendance is so small that the removal of the Teacher is under consideration. The people in the Section are too poor to build a